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Town & District

George Varnell of Calgary visited relatives here during the past week.

Miss Frankton of Calgary spent a few days last week visiting at the home of Mrs. Busby.

Mrs. Crawford of Bytown is visiting her daughters in town Mrs. A. Wilson and Mrs. R. W. Brown.

School opened Tuesday morning after being closed for the holiday season.

Mr. and Mrs. R. M. Stabback were holiday visitors to town. The guests of the former's sister, Mrs. G. Evans.

Jack Reid who is now located at Wetaskiwin was the guest of his father during the past week. Jack follows the profession of teaching.

Misses Pauline and Joy Sutermeister are among the attending the university at Edmonton, were home during the holidays visiting their parents Mayor and Mrs. Sutermeister.

Ted Froggatt has his father whose home is at Seaside, Alta., visiting him. Jimmie Froggatt thinks there is nobody like his grand daddy.

Frank Woods was from Duchs for a few days last week, visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. Woods.

Tom James of Calgary and Ted James of Heydon spent several days last week at the home of their mother Mrs. M. James.

The pig raffled off by the Lutzer boys New Year's eve was won by Andy Johnson. Mr. Sherack guesses the correct weight of the pig and is now enjoying a 15 pound ham. The pig weighed 100 1/2 pounds.

A. E. Wilson has been confined to a Calgary hospital for the past week or so through illness.

After spending a few days home during his holiday season, Peter De Hayes found it necessary to return to a Calgary hospital.

Mr. John Kimm of the Bank of Commerce staff at Lac La Biche Alta., spent part of the holiday season at the home of Mrs. M. James.

R. S. McQueen has purchased the residence owned by Mrs. G. Woods. This house is located near the depot. Mr. McQueen does not care about living in Calgary and since the house was destroyed by fire in November has been looking for a new residence.

The Indians held their annual New Year's dance Monday night. Those in charge of it cancelled the dance owing to the weather but did not want to notify the Indians scattered over the reserve. The Indians turned out in large numbers to the management. About seven o'clock those who promoted the dance came to town and rustled out the store keepers to get a supply of grub for the midnight feast. Reports have it the Indians

SAFE OR SOBBY

A word to the wise! Don't wait until next spring to start looking for seed oats and barley.

Good seed oats are scarce. Barley is scarce too, and the time to look for it is now. The Alberta Department of Agriculture and their service boys and supervisors are looking out for you interests, but you can't expect them to do it all.

If you need seed where there's none, or call on them first time you are in town. If they know where there's seed for sale close by—and they'll know it there's any around—they'll give it to you about it. If there is no good seed in your area this is what you need.

Go to your elevator agent. Tell him how much you want to buy and ask him to list your name. Grain companies will help out if there is no seed in the district. They'll ship only in carloads, but in a district where the home grown grain is unfit for seed orders can be made up if you let them know now what you need.

The thing to remember is that every delay in making arrangements for seed grain will make it harder to obtain good seed. If you need seed, place your order now.

Find a swell time.

Something of a record for fires in the district and towns has been established during the last couple of months. Altogether the local brigade has been called out five times.

For the past week we have had real cold weather with snow and winds. The climax was reached Monday night when one mercury dropped to 47 below. Other town registrations were 37 and lower. The cold weather played havoc with autos. Almost any hour of the day trucks and tractors can be seen hauling cars either to get them started or taking them to a garage to be thawed out.

Miss A. Wilson was taken to the Basano hospital last Wednesday where she underwent an operation for appendicitis. She was brought home Sunday.

Miss Mary Dunn of Calgary spent a few days in town during the holiday the guest of Mrs. G. W. Evans.

Time For Realism

(Alberta Wheat Pool Budget)
Those who deplore government participation in the marketing of farm products, fail to appreciate the changed conditions of the world market, where they are still living in the Victorian era when Great Britain was the richest and most powerful nation in the world and the home and host of the most common means of transportation, people hither and yon. This is an entirely different and much more complex world we are now living in. Government participation in business, as an established thing. Under present conditions international trade could not function otherwise.

It has been stated that Canadian agriculture has recently suffered very through the federal government's participation in the marketing of products have been fairly well maintained do not bear "last statement" out. World War II ended nearly two years and eight months ago. During that period the prices of most farm products have been fairly well maintained. This has been due to government participation.

Three years after the end of World War I the prices of farm products were "on the toboggan". The following table giving farm prices of principal products shows what happened in that period.

	1918	1922
Wheat	\$ 1.02	\$.77
Oats	.75	.25
Barley	.97	.42
Hay	1.11	.26
Stock	2.00	1.00
Cattle	75.00	25.00
Milk cows	107.00	42.00
Sheep and lambs	15.00	5.00

The free market was allowed to operate without government interference in that period. The calamitous drop in prices as illustrated by the above table resulted in a serious depression. The cut in the buying power of the farm people resulted in unpaid debts, taxes and loss of farms. The sheriff was the busiest man in each community.

This condition of course, was reflected in towns and cities. Business failures were commonplace and widespread unemployment resulted in much want and misery.

Government participation in marketing in the years following World War II resulted in stability in farm prices and in general business. The unfortunate recent debacle in egg prices shows what would have happened in all farm commodities with out government assistance.

The United States is considered the last great citadel of free enterprise in the world today. Yet the government of that nation is definitely committed to a policy of farm price maintenance. The price of corn for instance is provided with a floor of \$1.40 a bushel farm price. Under a free market with enormous supplies on hand in that country, the price might well be 50¢ a bushel.

Europe historically is the great market for North America's surplus food products. With most nations on that continent on the verge of bankruptcy and with Soviet Russia threatening to extend her influence to the Atlantic ocean, Europe must be fed and re-established economically. That cannot be done by the farmers of the United States and Canada. It must be done by governments.

WEDDING

At a seven o'clock ceremony in Holy Trinity Anglican Church, Edmonton, on December 30th, marriage vows were exchanged between Kathleen Mona Denby, only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Denby of Edmonton, and Albert William Riddell, eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. N. A. Riddell of Gleichen. Canon Nainby officiated at the wedding service.

Excorted down the church aisle by her father, who gave her in marriage, the bride was gown in white velvet, matching hat, with grey accessories and a corsage of green fern and white baby mums centred with a blue chrysanthemum.

The bridegroom, Miss Enna Atkinson, wore a blue velvet gown matching hat, white accessories and a corsage of green fern and white and pink mums.

Mr. H. R. Riddell attended his brother as groomsmen and the guests were ushered by Adrian Berry and Douglas Burns.

During the signing of the register music was played on the church pipe organ by the church organist.

The bride's mother wore a green and white patterned dress, white mums and gold and bronze mums.

The groom's mother was gown in green silk dress, white matching accessories and a corsage of fern, white mums and gold and bronze mums.

Following the church service a reception was held at the home of the bride's parents for over thirty guests.

A three tiered prettily decorated wedding cake centred the lace cloth covered table and Mrs. Douglas Berry poured tea, the coffee was served by the waiters.

At eleven o'clock the bride and groom, after bidding all a farewell, left with the good wishes from all the usual traditional confusion hovering the couple as they went.

After a short honeymoon Mr. and Mrs. Riddell will reside in Calgary in future.

OBITUARY

MRS. M. J. HOEY
Mrs. Mary Jane Hoey, a resident of Gleichen for many years died at Kimberley, B. C., Friday at the age of 72 years after a lengthy illness. Mrs. Hoey was born in Ontario and came to Gleichen first about 25 years ago. After living here for several years moved away, returning purchased a residence and after the death of her husband in September 1947 sold her home and moved to Calgary and spent much of her time visiting relatives. Her last visit to Gleichen was on November 1st. Mrs. Hoey is survived by a daughter, Mrs. Ironside living in Calgary. She was married twice her first husband died many years ago in Peace River.

Burial took place in Calgary interment being made in the family plot.

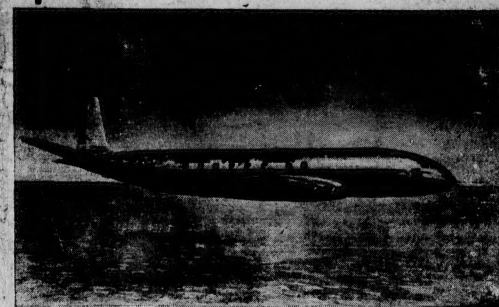
MAKE HOME A CASTLE

(Continued)
Most effective way toward release from rush and tension is the home. That is, if the sanctity of the home as a man's castle and personal retreat is preserved. When you can look forward to spending the evening in your peaceful family circle, with the drawbridge up. It gives a glow and a most intense vitality to your whole day.

Every man, but primarily the man who is conscious of the pressure of business life, will find it a life-saver to build a schedule of privacy and stick to it at all costs. It may appear eccentric to more boisterous friends, but it will become, in a short time, a badge of wisdom and distinction. In addition, you will find that this is something you have always wanted to do.

Whatever way of betterment is adopted, the man who awakens to senselessness of going round and round will leap off the conveyor belt every once in a while and walk slowly while it whistles past him.

Too many men have been tricked into believing that they are obliged always to work harder and longer



Canadian Pacific Air Lines have ordered two 500-mile-an-hour de Havilland Comet jet propelled air liners, pictured above, for service from Vancouver to Tokyo and Hong Kong.

The planes, first to be ordered by a north American air line, will be delivered in 1952. It is announced by G. McConchie, president of CPA. Powered by 4 de Havilland Ghost jet engines, the plane cruises at an altitude of 40,000 feet, almost eight miles, and will be able to carry 48 passengers from Vancouver to Tokyo, 1700 miles in 10 hours, with two stops for refuelling.

than their subordinates, to push hard on their competitors. Their typical day may be described as a mixture of chaos and struggle. We have been too long resigned to the idea that somehow this is inevitable.

A preordained purgatory for business leaders. In keeping his balance amid the turmoil of business life, a man must shuffle off all the tasks that, that report reading reduced to the essential minimum.

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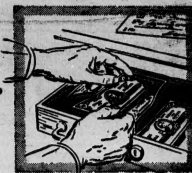
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Handling money costs money

It costs you more to live these days. And it costs your bank more to provide efficient banking service. Bank staffs are more than half as large again as before the war; payrolls have nearly doubled. Taxes are up. So is the cost of everything banks buy.

Yet you pay no more for banking service than you did ten years ago. Today 7,000,000 Canadians are bank customers—striking evidence of the ever-widening usefulness of competitive banking in our national life.

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